LOUISIANA WILD LIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

<u>P R O C E E D I N G S</u>

BOARD MEETING

Friday, September 15, 1972

10:00 a. m.

"J. G. JONES, CHAIRMAN

District VII Office Baton Rouge, Louisiana

<u>P R O C E E D I N G S</u>

. . . The Board Meeting of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission convened at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on Friday, September 15, 1972, at the District VII office of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Jerry G. Jones, Chairman, presiding . . .

PRESENT WERE:

- J. G. Jones, Chairman
- H. C. Wright, Vice-Chairman
- J. W. Thompson, Acting Director
- L. J. Autin
- D. G. Berry

AGENDA

- 1. Consider the matter of appointing new Director.
 RICHARD K. YANCEY:
- 2. Approval of contract Three Rivers Wildlife Management
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 Area access road.
- 3. Request from Mississippi Game and Fish Commission for 65 additional alligators for restocking purposes.
 OTHER BUSINESS:

CHAIRMAN JONES: The meeting will come to order.

The purpose of the meeting as announced is to act upon the matter of appointing a new director. We have two additional

items which we are going to take up, because they are sort of, matters of uh, not an emergency basis but we need to get them done, so, first, the first item on the agenda is to consider the matter of appointing of a new director.

Now, prior to going into that I want to acknowledge receipt of numerous telegrams that I received from, these are I think all from the commercial seafood industry, from ABRC Seafood, from Twin City Fisheries Co-op., Sea Shrimp Company, Inc., Tom Steed, Steed Fisheries, Schulman Shepard, New Orleans Shrimp Co., Gulf Seaway Seafood, Louisiana Shrimp Association, represented by Mr. Farrelly, and by Riverside Seafood from Berwick and the essence of these telegrams is that they are requesting that the Commission withhold taking any action at this time on the appointment of a director. I'll just read the telegram from Mr. Farrelly who represents the shrimp association. I've got it here somewhere. Thought I had it but, here it is It says, the Louisiana Shrimp Association respectfully urges the Commission to postpone it's selection of a director of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission until all avenues of recruitment of a qualified man are exhausted. Association believes that qualifications for this position should include solid educational and administrative experience in fisheries and wildlife management in order to perpetuate and

expand Louisiana's multimillion dollar shrimp industry. The new director also must be free of any political entanglements and signed by Mr. Farrelly with the shrimp association, o. k. now, the shrimp association has requested that we postpone action and at this time I will put the matter up to you. Do you want to postpone action or do you not want to postpone action? Do I hear any expression?

MR. BERRY: I make a motion that we appoint Mr. Burt Angelle as Director of the Wild Life and Fisheries.

on their request first then we'll get into the matter of actually selecting, if that's alright with you. Is there anyone here that wants to wait to select a director? I see no expression, then, there will be no action.

Now, let's move to the matter of selecting a director.

Now, I've been handed a letter which is an application from Mr.

J. Burton Angelle. I have received in addition to this, and I

left it in my office because I was late in leaving, an application

from Mr. Harold Loesch, Dick, how do you spell it, Loesch, Loesch,

is that his name, and I received an application this morning

from Mr. Robert E. Murry, who is the coordinator of our environ
mental section and this is an application from Mr. J. Burton

Angelle. Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

MR. BERRY: You have a motion Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Berry that Mr. Angelle be appointed as Director. Is there a second?

MR. THOMPSON: I second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Seconded by Mr. Thompson. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, say aye. Record me as not voting. O. k. Mr. Angelle is the new Director.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS, Clark M. Hoffpauer, Sr., former Director, resigned his office effective August 29, 1972 at 5:00 p.m. which resignation had been accepted by Jerry G. Jones, Chairman, on behalf of said Commission on said date; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission's daily business necessitated the concomitant appointment of Jimmie Thompson, commission member, as interim or acting director until the Commission had selected a permanent director; and,

WHEREAS, the said Commission has selected J. Burton Angelle as Director to serve as its executive and administrative officer and secretary:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that J. Burton Angelle be and he is hereby appointed Director of the

Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that J. Burton Angelle be and he is hereby immediately authorized and empowered to exercise all the authorithy vested in the Director of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Commission by LSA Const. Art. 6, Sec 1, (A), (7), LSA-R.S. 56:1 et.seq., and all other authority which by the law the Commission delegates to him in accordance with law, including, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) Manage the staff in accordance with the policies and within the budget authorized by the commission;
- (b) Appoint, remove, assign, transfer and promote personnel within the standards and grades established by the Louisiana Civil Service System;
- (c) Have complete administrative responsibility for the supervision of the day-to-day operations of the whole staff;
- (d) Prepare all factual information and recommendations on current problems for use of the Commission in making regulations and policies;
- (e) Prepare recommended budgets, together with the justification for proposed expenditures, for consideration by the Commission in approving budgets, and
- (f) Be authorized to carry out the approved program and operations without further commission consideration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment of Jimmie Thompson, commission member, as interim or acting director, be and it is hereby vacated, rescinded and recalled.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment of the Director shall become effective immediately.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Yancey.

MR. RICHARD YANCEY: Mr. Chairman, Members of the Commission, uh, the Highway Department has opened the bids for the construction of an additional three miles of all weather road on the Commission owned Three Rivers Wildlife Management Area up in Concordia Parish and it's important that we get this moving as quickly as possible in view of the fact that we do have dry fall weather ahead of us. The low bid was submitted by KCF Corporation of Sicily Island in the amount of \$91,058.34. Now the Highway Department's estimate for that job was a little over \$105,000 and there were an additional five bids that were submitted that ranged on up to approximately \$121,000. This project will be 75 percent financed and federally financed and we would recommend at this time that you authorize the Highway Department to issue a contract to the low bidder for the construction of this three miles of additional road.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have heard the recommendation.

What is your pleasure?

MR. WRIGHT: I so move.

THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Wright.

Is there a second?

MR. AUTIN: I second.

THE CHAIRMAN: Seconded by Mr. Autin. Is there any further discussion? Any objection? Hearing none, so ordered.

(Text of the resolution is here made a part of the record.)

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Highways received bids on September 7, 1972, for the construction of an additional 3 miles of road to be located on the State-owned Three Rivers Wildlife Management Area in Concordia Parish; and

WHEREAS, the low bid was submitted by K.C.F. Corporation in the amount of \$91,058.34; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wild Life and Fisheries Commission does hereby authorize the Louisiana Department of Highways to issue a contract to the low bidder K.C.F. Corporation of Sicily Island in the amount of \$91,058.34 for the construction of 3

additional miles of road on the Three Rivers Wildlife
Management Area in Concordia Parish.

THE CHAIRMAN: Number three.

MR. RICHARD YANCEY: We also have a request from the Mississippi Game and Fish Commission for an additional 65 alligators and if we are going to provide those, them with those alligators this fall we need to act now before cool weather sets in, so, we'd recommend that you authorize the trapping of these alligators from the Marsh Island Wildlife Refuge. Now those are going to stock beaver pond areas in Mississippi and they are also going over on some of the federally owned national forest lands in Mississippi.

THE CHAIRMAN: You have heard the recommendation.

MR. BERRY: Mr. Yancey, let me ask you a question.

THE CHAIRMAN: Alright, go ahead.

MR. BERRY: Can they swap us a few turkeys for those alligators?

MR. YANCEY: They have already, have actually provided us with turkeys and at no charge incidentally and the turkeys that they provided us with are now being used to a great extent to restock other areas in Louisiana, so we're gonna get a few out of Arkansas and we've already gotten a few out of Mississippi. It's worked out very nicely.

THE CHAIRMAN: You've heard the recommendation.

What is your pleasure?

It's been moved by Mr. Berry, seconded by Mr. Thompson. Is there any further discussion? Is there any objection? Hearing none, so ordered. Thank you Dick.

THE CHAIRMAN: I see the new Director in the back of the room.

QUESTION: When does he take office?

THE CHAIRMAN: I assume immediately. Are there any other matters to come before the Commission?

MR. THOMPSON: I move we adjourn.

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THE CHAIRMAN: It has been moved by Mr. Thompson, the meeting is adjourned.

. . . Thereupon, at 10:15 o'clock a. m., Friday
September 15, 1972, the special meeting of the
Board was adjourned. . . .